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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a customer of Sonic, Inc. broadband service in the San Francisco Bay Area. I have been a customer for over 10 years. Initially as a copper-connected Fusion customer (service which relied on unbundled copper in the last mile), and one who now has Gigabit Fiber (which still relies on unbundled elements for backhaul).

I stayed with Sonic DSL for many years, even when other providers offered faster broadband, because I feel very strongly that the business policies of Sonic align with my needs for an internet provider. I switched to Sonic gigabit fiber as soon as it was available. The combination of Sonic's business policies (with respect to data collection and sharing, specifically it's Electronic Frontier Foundation rating) as well as low price, have made sonic my chosen internet provider.

I am a consultant with a home business who needs a fast internet connection for my business - as well as for my personal use. I rely on Sonic gigabit internet for:

- Phone service (no longer using an AT&T plain-old-telephone-service line)
- Business internet access performing large data transfers
- Competitive TV access using streaming services (as an alternative to Cable)
- Sonic additional services, including incoming and outgoing e-FAX.

Thank you.

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